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In re the application of: John J. Castellot, Jr.

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For: *Novel Heparin-Induced CCN-Like Molecules
And Uses Therefor*

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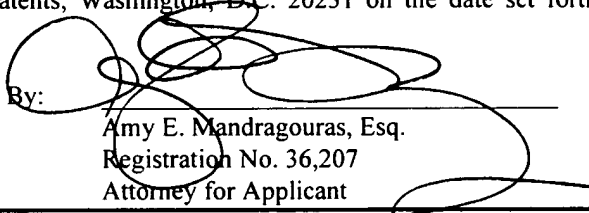
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND REMARKS

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified continuing application, please amend the application as set forth below.